

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR STORING DIGITAL BROADCAST DATA

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

There is disclosed a data storage apparatus for downloading
5 data from datacast streams transmitted by a television broadcast
system to a plurality of similar data storage apparatuses. The
data storage apparatus comprises: 1) a storage medium for storing
selected portions of the transmitted datacast streams; and 2) a
content filtering processor for receiving a first datacast stream
10 transmitted by the television broadcast system and detecting
therein a plurality of datacast blocks, wherein the content
filtering processor compares a first content parameter associated
with a first one of the datacast blocks with at least one
subscriber-specific parameter associated with the data storage
15 apparatus and wherein the content filtering processor, in response
to a determination that the first content parameter matches the at
least one subscriber-specific parameter, stores the first datacast
block in the storage medium.